#### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

#### FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

AA-J BREEDING, LLC, a California limited liability company; SU-SIM, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company; and DERBY STAKES, LLC, a Nevada limited liability company;

Plaintiffs,

VS.

Case: 1:07-cv-12849
Assigned To: Ludington, Thomas L
Referral Judge: Binder, Charles E
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GEOSTAR CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation; GEOSTAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CORPORATION, a Michigan corporation; GEOSTAR 2003-I DRILLING PARTNERSHIP, a Delaware general partnership; FIRST SOURCE WYOMING, INC., a Delaware corporation; and GASTAR EXPLORATION, LTD, a Texas corporation,

Defendants.

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#### **COMPLAINT**

Plaintiffs AA-J Breeding, LLC, Su-Sim, LLC, and Derby Stakes, LLC, by their attorneys, The Miller Law Firm, and for their Complaint against Defendants, state as follows:

#### **JURIDICTIONAL ALLEGATIONS**

1. Plaintiff AA-J Breeding, LLC ("AA-J") is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of California, having its principal place of business in Santa Ana, California.

- 2. Plaintiff Derby Stakes, LLC ("Derby Stakes") is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Nevada, having its principal place of business in Santa Ana, California.
- 3. Plaintiff Su-Sim, LLC ("Su-Sim") is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Nevada, having its principal place of business in Culver City, California.
- 4. Defendant GeoStar Corporation is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business located at 2480 W. Campus Drive, Building C., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.
- 5. Defendant GeoStar Financial Services Corporation is a Michigan corporation with its principal place of business located at 2480 W. Campus Drive, Building C., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.
- Defendant GeoStar 2003-I Drilling Partnership is a Delaware general partnership with is principal place of business located at 2480 W. Campus Drive, Building C., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.
- 7. Defendant First Source Wyoming, Inc. is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of business located at 2480 W. Campus Drive, Building C., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.
- 8. Defendant Gastar Exploration, LTD is a Canadian corporation with its principal place of business in Texas. Gastar Exploration, LTD conducts continuous and systematic business in this District.

#### GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

- 9. This case arises our of the default by Defendants GeoStar Corporation, GeoStar Financial Services Corporation, GeoStar 2003-I Drilling Partnership (collectively "GeoStar"), First Source Wyoming Inc., ("First Source") and Gastar Exploration Ltd. ("Gastar") on the terms of their agreements with Plaintiffs.
- 10. Defendants first defaulted on the terms of their agreements with Plaintiff AA-J Breeding, LLC ("AA-J") in early December 2005.

- Defendants subsequently defaulted on the terms of their agreements with Plaintiffs
   Su-Sim and Derby Stakes.
- 12. Plaintiffs had each initially invested substantial sums of money in Classicstar LLC., ("Classicstar") a horse breeding company and a wholly owned subsidiary of Geostar.
- 13. Plaintiffs each voted to bifurcate their investments with Classicstar into (1) a Mare-Lease program with Classicstar; and (2) Working Interests in natural gas exploration in Geostar/Gastar ("Bifurcation"). A description of these two programs and the amounts of the investments by the Plaintiffs in these varying deals are described below.

#### Classicstar Mare-Lease Program

- 14. The Classicstar Mare-Lease Program allowed investors to lease thoroughbred mares from Classicstar for one breeding season. The resulting offspring became property of the lessee.
- 15. The lessee under the Mare-Lease Program was also required to enter into an agreement with Classicstar to care for and treat the mares and their foals during the lease period.
- 16. As a part of the investment in Classicstar, Plaintiffs signed promissory notes for loans from National Equine Lending Company ("NELC"), an alleged independent lender which was actually owned by a relative of the founder and principal of Classicstar, David Plummer. The purpose of the loans was to pay for fifty percent (50%) of the Plaintiffs' participation in the Marc-Lease program.
- 17. Plaintiffs were encouraged to purchase expensive Mare Lease Programs by obtaining loans with NELC. As an example, Derby Stakes signed two notes with principal amounts of \$1,238,136 and \$843,440 and an interest rate of 6.25%.
- 18. Though the loans from NELC were similar, one was intended to be short term and one long term. All Plaintiffs' short term loans were paid in full.

- 19. Plaintiffs were promised that they would not have to make any principal or interest payments on the long-term loans with NELC. David Plummer of NELC claimed that the loans would be paid in full from the proceeds of the sale of the foals. David Plummer also orally promised that if the foals were sold for less than what the Plaintiffs owed on the long term loans with NELC, Classicstar would pay the balance due to NELC.
- 20. In 2004, David Plummer of NELC and Tony Ferguson of Geostar approached Plaintiffs about participating in a company called First Equine Energy Partners, LLC ("FEEP"). Under the FEEP offering, participants in Classicstar could transfer their ownership of certain foals to FEEP in exchange for FEEP units. Geostar agreed to repurchase the units as a price of \$1 per unit.
- 21. David Plummer of NELC and Tony Ferguson of Gcostar orally promised Plaintiffs that in exchange for participating in the FEEP program, that Plaintiffs were not required to pay the remainder of their loan obligations to NELC.
- 22. Plaintiffs Derby Stakes and Su-Sim agreed to participate in the FEEP program. Therefore, their loan obligations to NELC were to be paid in full by the FEEP program or Classicstar.
- 23. In September, 2006, Plaintiffs received notice informing them that they were in default on the terms of their loans with NELC. Around the same time, Plaintiffs received notice that if they relinquished their FEEP units, NELC would accept their loan obligations as paid in full.
- Plaintiffs did not begin receiving distributions from Classicstar until the latter part of
   2006, although Classicstar issued K-1s for 2005 alleging sizable distributions to those entities.

#### Gastar Stock

25. The other portion of Plaintiff's investments with Classicstar became converted to working interest in wells drilled by Defendant First Source Wyoming, Inc. in the Powder River Basin in Wyoming (the "Working Interests"). As part of the investment, Plaintiff's were entitled to

convert their Working Interest into stock in Gastar, a wholly owned subsidiary of Gcostar, at pre-set prices.

- 26. Each of the Plaintiffs exercised their option to convert their Working Interests into Gastar stock, based at a price of \$2.00 per share with \$3.00 put.
- 27. Despite several demands that Geostar provide the Gastar stock, Geostar refused to comply. Instead, Geostar provided Plaintiffs with a "Working Interest Purchase Agreement" that purported to allow Geostar to purchase Plaintiff's Working Interests with terms unacceptable to Plaintiffs.
- 28. Plaintiffs sent Tony Ferguson of Geostar and David Plummer of NELC numerous letters and emails demanding that Geostar provide AA-J with 1,255,339 unrestricted shares in Gastar, pursuant to the parties' contract.
- 29. Geostar did not respond until 2006, when they sent Plaintiffs another Working Interest Purchase Agreement (the "Revised Working Interest Purchase Agreement").
  - 30. Plaintiff AA-J accepted this Agreement.
- 31. By the time Geostar offered AA-J the Revised Working Interest Purchase Agreement, Geostar had defaulted on the terms of the Working Interest Purchase Agreements with Plaintiff Derby Stakes and all of Plaintiff Su-Sim's investments. Geostar promised to provide Revised Working Interest Purchase Agreements for those Companies, but never did so.
- 32. The terms of the Revised Working Interest Purchase Agreement with AA-J provided that in consideration for receiving AA-J's Working Interest, Geostar would pay to AA-J the sum of \$2,659,504. Geostar agreed to pay \$300,000 upon execution of the Revised Working Interest Purchase Agreement, with the remainder paid in equal installments over the following thirty-six (36) consecutive months, accruing interest at 6.5% per annum.

- 33. The Revised Working Interest Purchase Agreement also provided for a 5% penalty to be added to each payment thirty (30) days past due.
- 34. The Revised Working Interest Purchase Agreement with AA-J was executed in March 2006. Geostar made its initial disbursement of \$300,000 to AA-J on May 3, 2006. Geostar has failed to make its scheduled payments since June 2006. The amounts unpaid exceed \$2.3 million, plus accrued interest.

#### PLAINTIFFS' INVESTMENTS

35. Each of the Plaintiffs invested different amounts in Defendants' business ventures, as set forth below.

#### Su-Sim's Investments

- 36. After the Bifurcation, Su-Sims' position for its 2001 investment of \$7,821,000 was as follows:
  - a. Fifteen percent (15%), in the amount of \$1,583,733, was for the mare lease program with Classicstar;
  - b. Eighty-Five percent (85%), in the amount of \$6,647,850, was for a Working Interest. Based on Su-Sim's agreement with Geostar, the Working Interest should have been converted to Gastar stock entitling Su-Sim to 3,323,925 shares in Gastar.
  - c. The Put to sell Gastar stock was \$3 Per Share, totaling \$9,971,775.
- 37. After the Bifurcation, Su-Sim's position for its 2002 investment of \$4,082,490 was as follows.
  - a. Twenty-Five percent (25%), in the amount of \$1,020,623, was for the mare lease program with Classicstar;
  - b. Seventy-Five percent (75%), in the amount of \$3,061,868 was for a Working

- Interest. Based on Su-Sim's agreement with Geostar, the Working Interest should have been converted to Gastar stock entitling Su-Sim to 1,530,934 share in Gastar.
- c. The Put to sell the above mentioned Gastar stock was \$3 per Share = \$4,592,802.
- 38. After Bifurcation, Su-Sim's position for its 2003 investment of \$6,061,613 was as follows.
  - a. Twenty-Five percent (25%), in the amount of \$1,515,403, was for the mare lease program with Classicstar;
  - b. Seventy-Five (75%), in the amount of \$4,546,210 was for a Working Interest.
    Based on Su-Sim's agreement with Geostar, the Working Interest should have been converted to Gastar stock entitling Su-Sim to 2,273,105 shares in Gastar.
  - c. The Put to sell the above mentioned Gastar stock was \$3 Per Share = \$6,821,523.

### AA-J's Investments

- 39. After Bifurcation, AA-J's position for its \$3,586,682 investment was as follows:
  - a. Thirty percent (30%), in the amount of \$1,076,005, was for the mare lease program with Classicstar;
  - b. Seventy percent (70%), in the amount of \$2,510,677, was for a Working Interest. Based on AA-J's agreement with Geostar, the Working Interest should have been converted to Gastar stock entitling AA-J to 1,255,339 shares in Gastar.

c. The Put to sell the above mentioned Gastar stock was \$3 Per Share = \$3,766,016.

#### **Derby Stakes Investment**

- 40. After Bifurcation, Derby Stakes' position for its \$2,476,271 investment was as follows.
  - a. Thirty percent (30%), in the amount of \$742,881, was for the mare lease program with Classicstar;
  - b. Seventy percent (70%), in the amount of \$1,733,390, was for a Working Interest. Based on Derby Stakes' agreement with Geostar, the Working Interest should have been converted to Gastar stock entitling Derby Stakes to 866,695 shares in Gastar.
  - c. The Put to sell Gastar stock was \$3 Per Share = \$2,600,085.

#### COUNT I - BREACH OF CONTRACT AS TO AA-J BREEDING

- 41. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference all preceding paragraphs.
- 42. Plaintiff AA-J Breeding had a contract or contracts with one or more of the Defendants as set forth above.
  - 43. Defendants breached the contract(s).
  - 44. As a promixate cause of Defendants' breach, Plaintiff has been damaged.
- 45. The nature of Defendants' breach is material and substantial, thereby entitling Plaintiff to accelerate any indebtedness.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff AA-J Breeding requests entry of a Judgment against Defendants for whatever amount Plaintiff is found to be entitled, plus interest, costs and attorneys' fees.

#### COUNT II - BREACH OF CONTRACT AS TO SU-SIM

46. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference all preceding paragraphs.

47. Plaintiff Su-Sim had a contract or contracts with one or more of the Defendants as set

forth above.

48. Defendants breached the contract(s).

49. As a promixate cause of Defendants' breach, Plaintiff has been damaged.

50. The nature of Defendants' breach is material and substantial, thereby entitling

Plaintiff to accelerate any indebtedness.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Su-Sim requests entry of a Judgment against Defendants for

whatever amount Plaintiff is found to be entitled, plus interest, costs and attorncys' fees.

COUNT III – BEACH OF CONTRACT AS TO DERBY STAKES

51. Plaintiffs incorporate by reference all preceding paragraphs.

52. Plaintiff Derby Stakes had a contract or contracts with one or more of the Defendants

as set forth above.

53. Defendants breached the contract(s).

54. As a promixate cause of Defendants' breach, Plaintiff has been damaged.

55. The nature of Defendants' breach is material and substantial, thereby entitling

Plaintiff to accelerate any indebtedness.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Derby Stakes requests entry of a Judgment against Defendants for

whatever amount Plaintiff is found to be entitled, plus interest, costs and attorneys' fees.

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